

REMARKS

The following claims are pending in the application: 1 - 59

The following claims have been amended: N/A

The following claims have been deleted or
withdrawn: 34 - 59

The following claims have been added: N/A

As a result of the foregoing Amendment, the following claims remain pending in the application: 1 – 33.

Election/Restriction Requirement

The Examiner has required restriction of the claims between three groups of claims:

Group I including claims 1 – 33 drawn to a method of making a layered article;

Group II including claims 34 – 47 drawn to a layered article; and

Group III including claims 48 - 59 drawn to an apparatus.

In response, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims drawn to a method of making a layered article. Applicants respectfully submit that this species would be covered by claims 1 – 33. Applicants' election is without traverse.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following Amendment and consider the following Remarks. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and again examine the present application and claims in light thereof.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendment and accompanying remarks, the Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is properly in condition for allowance and may be passed to issuance upon payment of the appropriate fees.

Telephone inquiry to the undersigned in order to clarify or otherwise expedite prosecution of the subject application is respectfully encouraged.

Respectfully submitted,

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